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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Akira NONAKA) Group Art Unit: 3621
Application No.: 09/803,396)
Filed: March 9, 2001)
For: DATA DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM) Confirmation No.: 8707
AND METHOD OF SAME, DATA)
PROCESSING APPARATUS AND)
METHOD OF SAME, AND DATA)
RECORDING MEDIUM)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicant brings to the attention of the Examiner the listed documents on the attached PTO SB/08 form. To the undersigned's knowledge, this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action after the filing of a Request for Continued Examination in the above-identified application.

Copies of the listed foreign documents are attached. Applicant notes that JPA 1994-195938 is a machine translation of JP 6-195938, JPA 1997-312039 is a machine translation of JP 9-312039, JPA 1998-177767 is a machine translation of JP 10-177767, JPA 1998-269289 is a machine translation of JP 10-269289,

066732 is a machine translation of JP 11-66732, JPA 1999-086453 is a machine translation of JP 11-86453, JPA 1999-150517 is a machine translation of JP 11-150517, JPA 1999-353796 is a machine translation of JP 11-353796, JPA 2000-023089 is a machine translation of JP 2000-23089, and JPA 2000-048478 is a machine translation of JP 2000-48478.

The documents listed in this Information Disclosure Statement were cited in the attached Japanese Office Action dated April 7, 2009, in a counterpart Japanese application.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no better art exists and does not constitute an admission that each or all of the listed documents are material or constitute "prior art." If the Examiner applies any of the documents as prior art against any claim in the application and Applicants determine that the cited documents do not constitute "prior art" under United States law, Applicant reserves the right to present to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office the relevant facts and law regarding the appropriate status of such documents.

Applicant further reserves the right to take appropriate action to establish the patentability of the disclosed invention over the listed documents, should one or more of the documents be applied against the claims of the present application.

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Respectfully submitted,

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